

Good morning.

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My name is S.H. I'm a direct descendant of Chief Koostah tah and proud to be of our last Kootenai Traditional Leaders as I stand here looking at why my people are here today Is the same reason Chief Koostah tah was eliminated by the Constitution of 1935, the reason is still the same and This water compact will bring Our Reservation to its end, for 2 1/2 years now this is what is putting up ~~the~~ Foot wall again and the ~~the~~ Wagon burners are Saddling up there War pony's, we the member ship have been riding in on one war pony's to all the tribal villages, to find out there all to afraid to stand up and say to Our tribal Council no more! no more sending CPS, tribal police , Lake County, Sanders county, Missoula County to shake down our young ^{our} mom's dad's our Foster ^{care} families, ^{age}elders, are member with no job's no place to live, this water compact has now taken even more, from the T-members Tribe

Additional Documents

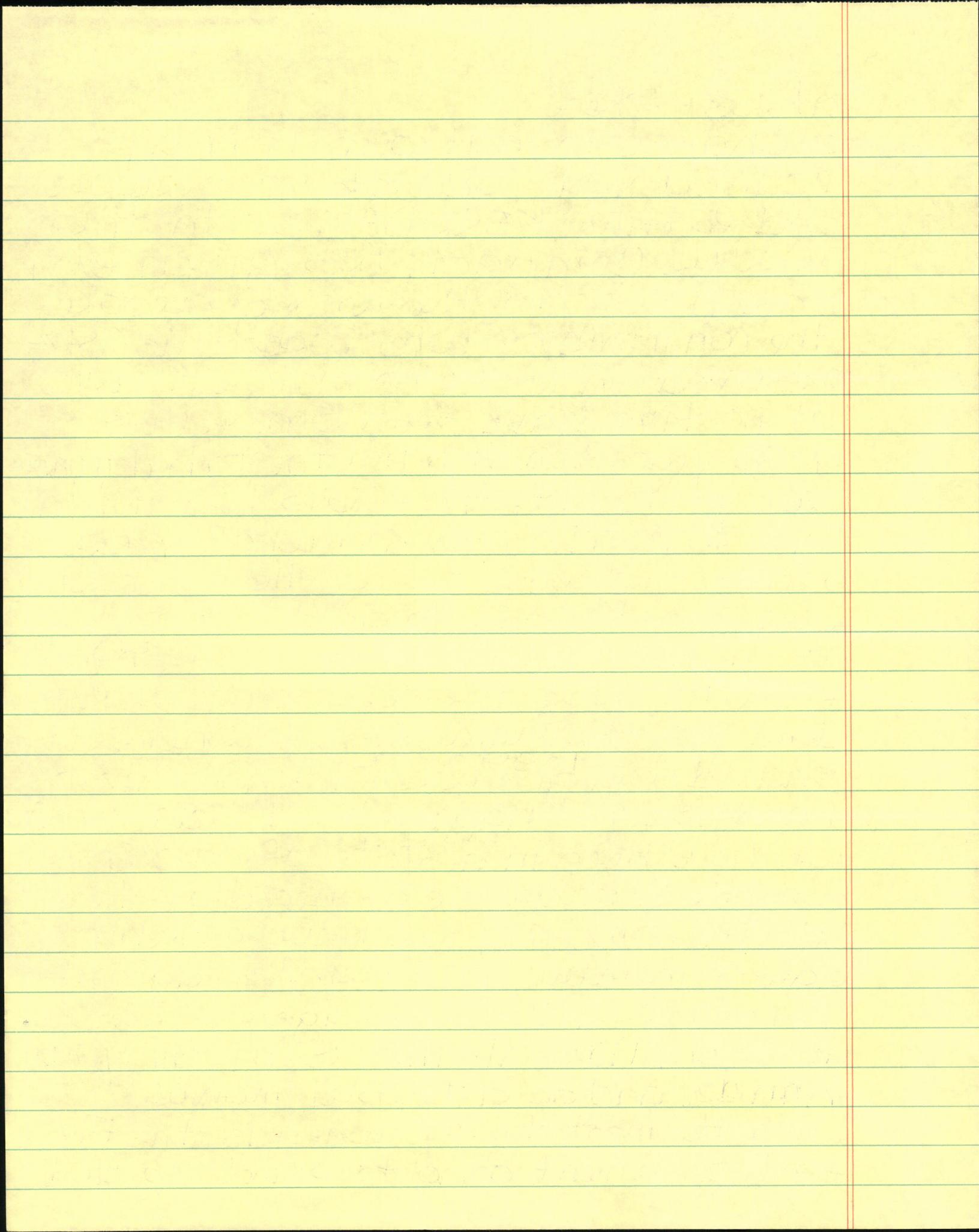
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a chance to tell our tribal
council you work for your people
and putting KERR DAM with the
Water Compact, has given even
more power to the wrong people,
the non members who want this
reservation to be no more, E.K. who
at no time ~~had~~ said showed us
a 30 year plan of what the tribal members
are going to get, the peoples voice tribe
with ~~to~~ petition ~~to~~ and what a eye
opener that was. So we the membership
put 2 petitions to gather ~~to~~ and
are in the process of getting ~~names~~^{signatures}
~~know~~ to bring the recapture of Kerr
dam to the members, as where it
should be, and we all know first
hand ~~to~~ what happened's to ~~the~~ members
we have been in a state of hard ship
from the first day we all heard of the
water compact, we have member
against member, non member against
non member, Farmers against Ranchers
as so on, now all this is in ~~the~~ YOUR
hands, and as a tribal member
with the most to lose when is the Fed
eral government going to stand up and



do there job, protect the tribal members from ~~the~~ council and any one else who is using a constitution to violate the tribal members civil rights!

what all this come down to is the CS+KT have to vote on the Kerr dam recapture of Should we try to take it back, Well Let's look back on what we have done in the past.

where is our Hot spring resort, where is our Post + Pole you, this was a fail safe, we own all of the trees,

~~why~~ why would we be building ~~or~~ adding on ~~to~~ two Casinos ^{and loaning them} when they don't stand on there own.

our court system removes children for family's with no real evidence ~~and~~ that can be brought to the table

CPS workers ~~that~~ are patted on the back ~~and~~ of a great job from are

with a report from Tribal Council and looking into this there are few and far between who is brought back to these mom + dad's ~~or~~ guardians and all.

of this has a Constitution, Rules, Regulations ~~that~~ ~~the~~ ~~our~~ treaties are all on paper

and it don't mean a thing, these word there seat on the tribal Council I do not guarantee

That this wacter Compat will be followed
so when you all look out fast this parcer
work who will know these people on the
right seat and make them keep there word

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V.F. says we want you all to approve this compact water compact, and give the power to the tribes; and they want you to believe ~~and~~ that we as members all have been heard.

We have not been heard. Not only have we as tribal members, do not get a say. We are put into a in a class of we don't matter.

* Treaty-constitutions do need to be followed first before we make up new paper work
(1972)

The tribe want you to believe that they them selves, follow

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the tribe just says

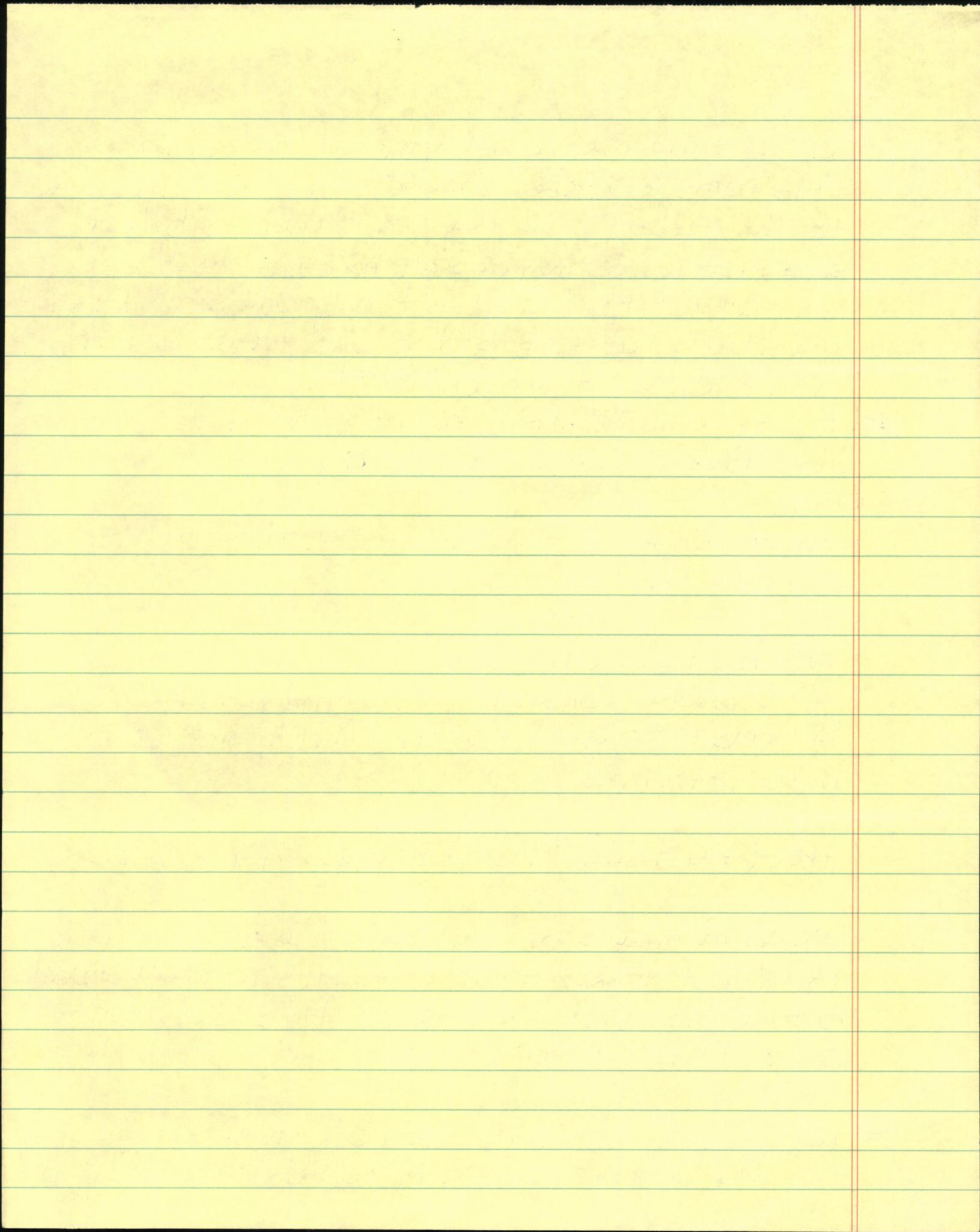
4-D, water Compact, and CS+KT

If this is so great for the TM, why was we not more informed,

they (~~the tribe~~) ^{our hand} forced ~~one~~ hand when

We as members of the CS+KT have been able to almost take a side on this water compact but at this point we are on the side of don't pass this water compact.

* why all of a sudden are all these people for the water compact. what have they all



been promised or given to go for a full change of sides, what aren't we being told,
what has changed.

heass is now one of the tribal members biggest lease fight, for tribal members. him a non member will beat out tribal member. for SH I am a direct descendant of Chief Koostahtah. one of our last Kootenai Traditional leaders that was removed from his office and eliminated by Our Constitution of 1935, just as he was for are Indian people I stand here today as a CS&K tribal member ~~with the bottom of the paper~~, that with our tribal council knowing that we the membership have a on going petition ~~that~~ that puts our members before the council to get a vote on weather we want Kerr dam back, and now ^{or want to here what now we have to say} the recapture of the dam is in with this water compact and again. again the paper that our constitution is wrote on has been changed without ratification of our people.

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